

Listing of the Claims:

1. (Presently Amended) A process for the manufacture of a ruler for use in the accurate measuring of fabric for quilting, patchwork and other crafts, which process includes the steps of forming a ruler blank from a single layer of a substantially transparent material[[,]]; printing, in one or more discrete stages, a pattern onto a surface of the blank, the pattern comprising a single colour or multi-colour pattern corresponding to the scalar markings on the ruler ~~and in a further stage; and printing a non-slip pattern with a composition including an ultraviolet-light dried ink having an adhesive and a granular filler to impart non-slip properties onto the same surface of the ruler, characterised in that the printing composition used for printing the non-slip pattern comprises an ink which can be dried using ultra violet-light; an adhesive and a granular filler, capable of imparting non-slip properties to the surface of the ruler.~~

2. (Original) A process according to claim 1 wherein the printing composition further comprises a photo initiator.

3. (Original) A process according to claim 1 wherein the granular filler comprises glass beads, ground glass, pumice or ground plastics materials.

4. (Original) A process according to claim 1 wherein the pattern printed onto the ruler to provide the scalar markings is printed using a screen printing process using an ultraviolet printing ink.

5. (Presently Amended) A ruler ~~which has been printed~~
manufactured by the process according to claim 1[[.]], comprising:
a ruler blank formed from a single layer of substantially transparent
material;

a pattern of scalar markings including at least one color printed onto a surface of the ruler; and

a non-slip pattern including a composition with an ultraviolet-light dried ink, an adhesive and a granular filler printed on the same surface of the ruler as the pattern of scalar markings.

6. (Original) A ruler according to claim 5 which is a clear acrylic quilting ruler.

7. (New) The process of claim 1, further comprising drying the non-slip pattern with an ultraviolet light.

8. (New) A ruler for use in the accurate measuring of fabric for quilting, patchwork and other crafts comprising:

a ruler blank formed from a single layer of substantially transparent material;

a pattern of scalar markings including at least one color printed onto a surface of the ruler; and

a non-slip pattern including a composition with an ultraviolet-light dried ink, an adhesive and a granular filler printed on the same surface of the ruler as the pattern of scalar markings.

9. (New) The ruler of claim 8 wherein the layer of transparent material includes a layer of clear acrylic.

10. (New) The ruler of claim 8 wherein the pattern of scalar markings includes only one color.

11. (New) The ruler of claim 8 wherein the pattern of scalar markings includes multiple colors.

12. (New) The ruler of claim 8 wherein the granular filler includes at least one of glass beads, ground glass, pumice and ground plastic.